immigration regulations in general by foreign countries, genuine students and scholars who satisfy the requirements of such regulations of a particular country can apply student visa.

(c) Since grant of visa by a foreign Mission is a prerogative of each Government concerned, Government can only bring genuine difficulties to the attention of the foreign Mission concerned.

PM's Visit to Uzbekistan

2799. SHRI S. MUTHU MANI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of bilateral talks held between the Prime Minister and the Uzbekistan Government during the last visit of Prime Minister to Uzbekistan;

(b) whether the issue of Indian students at Uzbekistan figured in the discussion; and

(c) if so, the details therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) During his visit to Uzbekistan in May,1993, the Prime Minister had wide-ranging discussions with President Karimov. These were devoted to the further strengthening of Indo-Uzbek bilateral relations. The two leaders also exchanged views on regional and global issues.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Extradition of Dawood Ibrahim

2800. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN:
SHRI SOM PAL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Dubai based self exiled Dawood Ibrahim's Indian Passport is cancelled, if so, why;

(b) what are the implications of above decision on the extradition proceedings going on against him;

(c) whether it is a fact that Dawood name figures on top among the Bombay Stock Exchange Blasters;

(d) if so, whether the cancellation of passport would hinder his extradition proceedings; if not, why;

(e) whether any nexus is established between Dawood, politicians and mafias; and

(f) whether it is a fact that Dawood has financed certain political parties of India in the last Lok Sabha General Elections?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) to (f) The passport of Shaikh Dawood Hasan @ Dawood Ibrahim was revoked as he is one of the accused in the Bombay bomb blasts case.

The revocation of the Indian passport of Shaikh Dawood Hasan would have no effect on the request for his extradition as an Indian national. However the revocation of his passport means that as an Indian national he has no legal travel document. This would not affect the extradition proceedings but he is not having a valid Indian travel document means that as an Indian national he is staying abroad illegally.

The Ministry of External Affairs has no information regarding a nexus between Dawood Ibrahim, politicians and mafias or of any financing by him of any political party in the last Lok Sabha General Elections.

Bangladeshi Migrants in India

2801. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the UNFPA (United Nations Population Fund) Report (July 6, 1993), which studies the phenomenon of migration on global scales, has made no reference to the one million plus migration of Bangladeshi into India, or of the 60,000 Chakmas, the Buddhist-tribals whereas references pertaining to the Afghan refugee of the 1980s and of the broken Yugoslavia of the current decade were made in the said (UNFPA); report; and

(b) whether Government of India had taken note thereof and if so, what is its reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The omission of any reference to the situation in India has been brought to the attention of UNFPA authorities.